

# THE GEORGE FOX COLLEGE CRESCENT

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## MINITERM: - sucessful SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS: - same

Spiritual Emphasis week for fall term at George Fox College was held during the week of October 17. Guest speaker, Ken Hughes, who pastors a church in Brea-Linda, California, led the meetings, delivering five evening sermons as well as five morning sermons.

To allow for freedom and flexibility in planning the format, no definite theme was selected for the sessions.

Hughes, in working with college chaplain, Ron Crecelius, attempted to reach a wide range of students in various areas of life.

Messages ranged from the acceptance of adversity and suffering in the Christian life to the serious realization of one's responsibility before God.

Opportunity was also given for students to make a personal commitment to Jesus Christ accompanied with an invitation to serve and uphold the GFC community.

Hughes' ministry was not restricted to chapel messages: He and his wife resided in the Pennington Hall guest quarters, where, as a team, they were able

to interact with students on a personal basis.

Mr. Hughes was especially instrumental in sharing and counselling with GFC women while Ken took the opportunity to speak to small groups and sports teams.

The week of spiritual concentration was, for the most part, successful, according to reports from the chaplain's office. The over-all feedback from students and faculty was highly positive and gave indications of broad approval of the weeklong talks.

This term's meetings were the first of three Spiritual Emphasis weeks planned for the school year. During fall term, the emphasis is usually on evangelism and the events of the week are designed, in the words of Ron Crecelius, "to set the spiritual tone" of the campus and provide a starting point for personal growth throughout the year.

Winter term follows with three days devoted to missions. In the Spring, the theme centers around the idea of developing a deeper life in Christ.

## WELCOME BACK, GFC BRUINS

george fox students getting earlier daily start

Yawns and a rubbing of eyes may be the situation as George Fox College students begin their class days this year.

The college has advanced the start of the first class to 7:45 a.m. from the previous 8 a.m. start in previous years.

The shift is part of a major class time change that provides for 10 class slots a day, running until 6:05 p.m.

The class schedule alteration was made at the suggestion of the college's registrar's office and the academic policy committee.

With the switch in times there

are now two double period before lunch break in place of the previous three 50-minute period arrangement.

Because of the new schedule there are other changes. Three-day-a-week chapel programs traditionally held at 11 a.m. will now start at 9:40 and run to 10:25 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The Tuesday and Friday time periods also will remain unscheduled with classes, allowing campus meeting times for faculty and students.

There will be a reduced time to change classes, from 10 minutes in the mornings, to five minutes. But the chapel period, by being pushed earlier in the morning, is designed to be a break in itself. There also will be one ten minute break in the afternoon, from 3:15 to 3:25 p.m.

The new schedule also spreads two classes over the noon hour, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. and 12:25 to 1:15 p.m. In a corresponding move, the college's dining commons' hours are being lengthened, a step necessary because of the change and because of increase enrollment which requires more students to eat in the same cafeteria.

Registrar Harvey Campell, one of the originators of the new class schedule change, says it will mean a better utilization of classes and labs," especially because of the two double periods in the morning.

The new schedule was endorsed by the college's academic committee Dean's Council and faculty.

Students have yet to make their report.

## report

To tap into the vast reservoir of creativity and ingenuity already obviously characteristic of GFC students, we were employed in a project called Futures Inventions Workshop. Working in small groups of from 3 to 5 we were to choose one of the 20 optional topics and to work out a response that was both imaginative, practical and responsive to future possible conditions of 1986. Some of the options included Environmental Action '86, Simplified Family Life Style '86 and Third World Self Sufficient Community '86, and etc. The results were both impressive and exciting and hopefully some of these solutions will make the transition from theory into reality. The future is the responsibility of the present. We as God's representatives and as life-time residents of this planet must not neglect our responsibility to the future or we may, to put it bluntly, risk losing it.

## futur- istics week work- shop

well, folks, the crescent is back...who cares?

For those of you not already aware of the fact, there have been a few slight, unimportant changes in the editorial policy of the GFC campus newspaper since last spring.

First of all, you may have noticed (if you are a returnee) that the edition you are holding has shrunk, er ... somewhat ... to accomodate present budgets, readers, tastes, and the best stewardship of the paper's interests.

You see, the big, fat, silly thing you all read last year suffered somewhat from a lack of direction. I am used to writing for the paper; not running it. It also had plenty of money. It also had a lack of what we in the trade call "the news".

The paper is now skinny, tightly scheduled, and broke. Your Fearless editor wasn't smart enough at the last budget meeting to embezzle enough money out of Uncle Millage to keep us all going comfortably. Neither have we organized our advertising program yet, although we are selling some ads, and retaining some of the old accounts. We are also praying earnestly and worrying to the point of going prematurely bald, although we know it doesn't add one inch to our height, (or our hairline ...) Chances are we'll go broke by early February, at the latest.

# POINT OF VIEW

But we do have some news. Some of it is a bit rushed-over, and much will be a week late for awhile, but it is news, and it's going to be weekly for the first time (to my knowledge) since 1891, so don't grumble.

Furthermore, along with an abundance of news there will be a dearth of opinion. We realize that good commentary is as vital to the news as current events, but too much of a good thing bloats the paper up, so we won't be printing too much of a good thing. You get what you pay for.

Did you know that you have a Film Society on campus? A Literary Club? A Quaker Fellowship, specializing in Christianity that is valid today? There is more to Fox than the fun and games the Activities department provides, believe it or not.

And how about you? Have you settled down into studies and activities to the point where you say, "the Crescent? ... who cares?" One of the reasons we stalled off publishing during the first few weeks of school was because there were just too many bright-eyed, bush tailed little helpers around here who wanted to "work" for the paper. Now that they're off getting engaged or studying for midterms, we'll be able to get the news out to you.

Please help. Concerns, gripes and praises can be directed to SUB-box "A", or extension 265. Or, drop by the office during open hours, and if I'm not here, leave your spiritual bouquet or poison-pen letter on the desk. Just make sure you sign it, first, please. And keep on prayin', so we can "keep on keepin' on ..."

Jesusbrother,  
Dan

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## Letters

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Dear Editor,

I'm an inmate confined in the London, Ohio Correctional Institution and I'm very interested in exchanging thoughts and ideas with anyone in free society who may be interested in relating to and sharing a part of themselves with a lonely man.

I feel communicating through letters will supply me with peace of mind as well as keep my mind off of the sad and depressing aspects that are so evident in this environment. My life here is full of hopes and so I'm hoping you may be able to help me realize this one hope by printing my plea for correspondence in your newspaper.

Respectfully Yours,  
Robert B. Ware  
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Poems by two Yamhill County poets are appearing in nationally-circulated magazines.

Michael Graves, a McMinnville resident, is having his poem "Palm Sunday" published in the recent issue of "Gates," a journal of poetry and graphic arts.

Ed Higgins, a Yamhill resident, is to have a poem "Crucified" published in the October issue of "Evangelical Friend" magazine.

Both men are members of the language arts faculty at George Fox College.

Both also have had their works published in the August issue of "Treaders of Starlight," a small magazine of science fiction poetry.

Grave's poem is called "Convergence" and Higgins is the author of two poems, "Science Fiction" and "Space Opera."

"The poetry is because we are creative people," says Higgins, a professor of English and a GFC faculty member since 1971. "We want to have others respond to what we feel is the creative impulse; we want others to celebrate with us as poets."

Graves joined the college faculty in 1972 as a professor of communication arts.

## STAFF

The Crescent is the George Fox College campus newspaper, published weekly in Newberg. Deadlines are on Wednesdays before noon. If you are interested in contributing material, all pieces must be signed. Same with the letters to the editor, which may be submitted to the office during open hours, or to SUB-box "A". Thanks for your support, and let us know how you feel.

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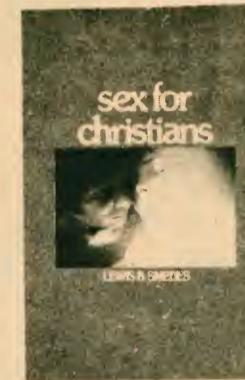
## Sex For Christians

By Lewis B. Smedes

"Although many Christians may disagree with Lewis Smedes' conclusions, he does not give easy, permissive answers which bypass biblical injunctions, but tries to face head-on many of the specific problems which are involved in trying to live as a Christian in a sensually oriented world."

-Keith Miller

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*Sex for Christians* by Louis Smedes. Eerdmans Publishing Co., Paper \$2.95.

I don't understand why so many Christians say that the Body of Christ does not have a system of Sex education. Upon careful observation one can find a sophisticated system of sexual education grounded solidly in hearsay, prejudice and rumor.

Louis Smedes' book could, if read widely enough, make great strides toward dispensing with the manner of sex education and awareness among Christians. Keith Miller has said, "...many Christians may disagree with Smedes conclusions..." and I concur. But the book is excellent, and I am hopeful it will receive wide circulation among the brothers and sisters at George Fox College.

I was particularly impressed with Smedes comprehension of the truly unique sexual pressures of modern society. So many Evangelicals render their teaching on sex nearly pointless, particularly for young people, because they naively think that "truth" changes, for the other impressive aspect of *Sex for Christians* is Smedes understanding of Scripture, as a timeless

guide for our lifestyles. Smedes properly interprets the Bible as categorically different than a "don't book" based on guilt. That Jesus was a man helps us realize that He speaks with compassion and not tension or embarrassment.

Smedes emphasize is on the depth and primary importance of relationships and understanding between individuals, that sexuality must never subvert. But Smedes is also non-dogmatic on many "touchy" issues such as "petting" and "masturbation". This should come as a refreshing difference to Christians who feel alienated and frustrated with problems they don't feel can be talked about openly. The beauty of Smedes book is that it is solidly Biblical yet helpful and compassionate.

Some Christians who feel a need to be constantly told what is true will not be happy with Smedes emphasize on self-motivated responsibility, in relationships. But for Christians who can no longer pretend that sexuality is not a part of their lives Smedes will be a welcomed bit of advice.

I have found *Sex for Christians* an honest, forthright book which spoke truth with power in an area which still raises questions in my own life, and I'm sure yours. (At least we know its a part of Jimmy Carter's...)

If our book store does not have Smedes "Sex for Christians" then order it from Chapel Bible and Supply in Portland (look in the phone book, they are real fine people to do business with...). It will be worth the time and effort in reading.

## FRANKLY SPEAKING

...by phil frank



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# "NO VACANCY" PROCLAIMED

CCNS—Christian college campuses are full and overflowing this fall as record numbers of new and returning students boosted many schools past their projected enrollment figures.

On some campuses, college officials scrambled to accommodate the overflowing student body in area houses, hotels, dormitory lounges and converted classrooms. Taylor University (IN) proclaimed "No Vacancy" as every available room was occupied.

The crowded campuses may be causing some immediate housing problems, but the rising enrollments make Christian college presidents very happy. While some private colleges are having difficulties attracting students, the growing enrollment figures on Christian college campuses are a sign of institutional health and vitality.

Taylor President Robert Baptists said, "The faculty and staff deeply appreciate this response to the kind of Christ-centered quality program we have been striving to maintain at Taylor."

At George Fox College (OR), Admission Director Jim Settle reported a 13 percent increase in the number of students in the incoming freshman class. Many

students had to be housed in newly-acquired apartments and area houses. A new dorm is planned for next year to accommodate the ever-growing student body.

Anderson College (IN) reports "Standing Room Only" for college chapel services this fall. An overall increase of almost 6 percent in this year's student body caused the crowded conditions, and forced some students to be housed in a nearby hotel for the first few days of the semester.

Dean of Students Cleda Anderson says that a "modest increase" in the student body is expected to continue for the next

few years. Students keep coming to Anderson because they desire "a quality education in a church-related school," she said.

Weaving looms and other art equipment were quickly moved out of art classrooms this fall at Marion College (IN). The equipment was replaced by cots and borrowed desks to accommodate the unexpected number of students crowding Marion's campus.

"I don't know if it's the economics, the enthusiasm of the new president, or our new programs," said Marion Dean of Students James Luttrull. "I can't account for it."

Many Christian college spokesmen echo the words of Anderson College's dean when discussing the growing number of students in Christian colleges. They believe that the firm Christian commitment, personal attention and academic quality found in Christian liberal arts colleges makes them attractive to the prospective and returning student.

The Carnegie Commission Report predicted growth for colleges that offered students a different approach and perspective to learning," said Richard Skaare, director of admission at

Gordon College (MA). "Gordon's commitment to a quality

Christian education sets it apart from most other institutions and this appeals to most students."

Skaare cited the high rate of returning students as a sign of student satisfaction with the "distinctiveness" of the college. He also pointed out that 33 percent of the new students on campus are transfers, an unusually high percentage which speaks well for the strong attraction of students to the school.

Bethel College (MN) also experienced an unusually high rate of returning students and an un-

expected jump in new students. The college, which has grown 70 percent since 1971, projected an enrollment of 1650 this fall. Instead the enrollment climbed to 1746.

Why have so many students flocked to the Bethel campus in recent years? "There are many reasons why they choose Bethel," Dean George Brushaber said, "but the major one seems to be that we have satisfied students. The word is out that they have a good experience here."



## FACULTY CORNER

BY DR. RICHARD FOSTER

Human beings are such that "life together" always involves them in hurting one another in some way. Most people feel that somehow this is unusual, but it is simply true. To avoid this fact of life people will remain superficial with everyone, run to another church at the first signal of pain, or clam up into a tight little shell that doesn't know how to cry ... or laugh. Churches will never progress until we move beyond the fear of being hurt.

Some people feel that if they could just be good enough that they won't hurt people. Yet in this world our very goodness will hurt people. Witness Jesus. We cannot avoid it—if we want life we must be prepared to hurt and be hurt.

In this regard we need to learn that it is normal to be hurt. Because people do not believe this, they develop the great stone face—the stiff upper lip. Outwardly they appear to be in complete control, fully able to handle all contingencies. They do not hurt, not them. They just develop ulcers, have heart attacks and die of cancer. Please believe me, it is normal to be hurt.

One more thing it is important to know: spiritual persons can be especially hurt and hurtful. The stiff upper lip is not a sign of spirituality. Jesus hurt ... hurt deeply. The great stone face does not depict Godliness, but pride. **Forgiveness**

Forgiveness is essential in a community of hurt and hurtful persons. In experiencing forgiveness it is important to understand what is not. Four things are often mistaken for forgiveness.

**ONE:** Pretending that it doesn't matter. "Oh, that's alright; it really didn't hurt me

anyway!" That is not forgiveness, it is lying. The truth is that these things matter a great deal and it does not help to avoid the issue.

**TWO:** A ceasing to hurt. Some think that if they continue to hurt that they have not forgiven. That

is just not true. Hurting is not evil. We may hurt for a very long time to come. Forgiveness does not mean that we will stop hurting.

**THREE:** Forgetting. Many would make us believe that in order to forgive we must forget. But this is not the case. We remember; the difference will be that we no longer need or desire to use the memory against others. The memory remains, the vindictiveness leaves.

**FOUR:** Pretending the relationship is just the same as before the offense. The relationship will never be the same again. We might just as well make peace with that fact. By the grace of God it may be a hundred times better but it will never be the same.

### The Rule of Christ

Jesus set forth the way by which genuine forgiveness can come into the community without destroying it. This principle is given to us in Matthew 18:15-22.

First go directly to the offended or offending party. But we can't seem to do this. Why? Well, we play a little game by saying, "I don't want to hurt their feelings, so out of love I won't speak to them. Nothing really happened anyway." That is a lie. Love and lies do not mix. Do not go to others to talk about the offense—go directly to the offended or offending party. And remember the purpose of going to them is

not to confront them, but to win a brother or sister. Ninety-five percent of the time the matter is settled there.

If this does not settle the matter, we should take two or three disciples with us who can be trusted and who are known for their discernment and sympathy. When done in love, there is hardly a case where the situation is not resolved.

If the matter is still not resolved, then bring it to the entire community. Now we will never be able to believe that this is a good thing until we understand that Jesus is referring to a kind of

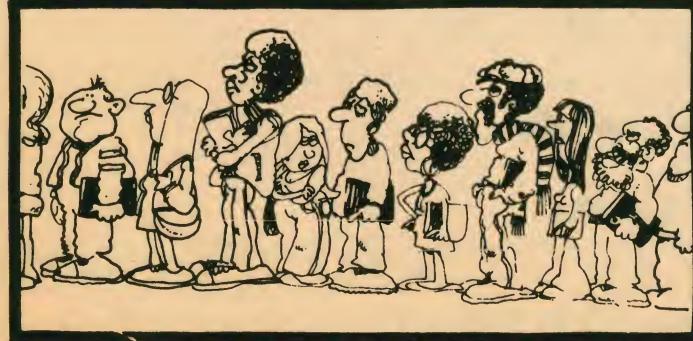
community which is simply not found in churches today. Jesus is talking about a kind of communi-

ty based on a deep sense of trust. For the most part church people are afraid of each other. If one looks cross-eyed at another he may not be back for a month, and he may start looking for another church.

### Setting Others Free

In all of this it is important to see that verse 18 is written in the context of a discussion on forgiveness. "Truly, I say to you whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." The bonds that we are empowered to liberate are the bonds of an unforgiving spirit.

May God give us the freedom to be willing to hurt and the grace to forgive and so live as His people together.



# BRUIN SPORTS NEWS



## BLIKSTAD TOP DISTRICT FINISHER

Bruin runner Steve Blikstad finished at the top of the NIAI District II list again Saturday (Oct. 16) as he took second in the Lewis and Clark Invitational.

Sophomore Blikstad shaved 30 seconds off last year's winning time of 24:34 for the five-mile course. Keith Woodard of non-district the Spur of the Moment Track Club captured first with a clocking of 24:32.8, just 1.2 seconds in front of Blikstad, who had a 24:34 time.

"I feel good about the race," Blikstad commented, "I don't like to lose, but my time was faster than last year."

George Fox finished eighth as a team.

## GFC VOLLEYBALLERS

Two very short volleyball matches opening the season for the George Fox Bruin women left Coach Marjorie Weesner feeling good.

Her squad expressed no qualms about playing tough volleyball as it overwhelmed visiting Warner Pacific College this week, 15-1. Each game lasted about eight minutes.

"We had some problems with first game jitters," Weesner said. "And our attack wasn't strong at times." If the attack had been any stronger, however, Warner might not have scored.

In the first game six Bruin points were scored before a retaliation by the visitors, and the second game's scoreboard read 10-0 at one stage. George Fox committed two errors.

High scorers were sophomores Mary Ann Mason, Shadycove, Ore; and Joni Snyder, Dundee, with six points each and freshman Vonda Winkle, Turner; and sophomore Shelley Webster, Grants Pass with five each.

This weekend there's more experience for the spikers as they participate in the Willamette Invitational in Salem. The Bruin squad is scheduled to play three games Friday and two Saturday.

## BRUIN HOCKEY WOMEN

"A fantastic game, a super, super game." George Fox College field hockey coach Dee Bright couldn't quit bubbling about her team's effort in a 3-2 loss to visiting Willamette University Wednesday (Oct. 13).

While it's not exactly common to see a coach excited about a loss, Bright's optimistic outlook seems to be justified.

Willamette, regarded by most to be the strongest women's hockey team in the area, was forced

to a goal in the waning minutes to break at 2-2 deadlock.

"We both won," Willamette Coach Fran Howard said after the contest played in Newberg.

Coach Bright commended freshman Kelly Davidson, Lincoln City, for making "a fantastic save." "She came from nowhere ... she saved a score," she said.

The Bruins take on visiting Eastern Oregon Friday (Oct. 15) and travel to Pacific Lutheran in Tacoma for a Saturday game.



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